THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) No, Sir. The Insurance Companies have been implementing the reservation orders of the Central Government on the subject.

(b) Does not arise.

Recovery of dues from sick units

3605. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the locked up capital in various sick units as on 1st January, 1989;

(b) what is the break-up among heavy, medium and small scale sectors; and

(c) what steps are being taken to recover the same?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) and (b) As per the latest data available with Reserve Bank of India, Rs. 4222.69 crores were outstanding against Sick units as at the end of June, 1987. Of these Rs. 1542.25 crores were against Sick SSI units and Rs. 2680.44 crores against Non-SSI Sick Units (as defined in Sick Industrial Companies (Special Provisions) Act, 1985).

(c) RBI has laid guidelines for close monitoring of such borrowal accounts and to draw rehabilitation packages in respect of sick industrial units as are found potentially viable. Packages provide for phased repayment to bank with reliefs|concessions like reduced rates of interest, funding of overdues, waiving of penal interest, etc. As regards non-viable units, banks undertake action as appropriate for the recovery of dues which include, *inter alia*, sale of goods hypothecated enforcement of security available against the borrower|guarantor.

Transfer of female employees of State Bank of Patiala

3606. SHRI PUTTAPAGA RADHAKRISHNA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that female married employees of State Bank of Patiala are being harassed by the management of the Bank by issuing orders resulting in their transfer to the stations, other than the stations of their husbands' posting;

(b) if so, whether the Government order, according to which the wives and their husbands are adjusted at the same station, is not being applied to the employees of the said Bank; and

(c) what are the reasons for deviating from the said order thereby disturbing the family life as well as the education of their children?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FLEIRO): (a) to (c) Government have advised all public sector Banks to accommodate the spouses, who happen to be the employees of Public Sector Banks, at the same station subject to administrative convenience, availability of vacancies etc. State Bank of Patiala has reported that they are following Government guidelines and there is no question of any female employee being harassed by the management.

पंजाब नेशनल बैंक की बिसौली शाखा से रहस्यात्मक ढंग से रकम का निकाला जाना

3607. श्री शिव कुमार मिश्र :
श्री राम सिंह राठवा :

क्या वित्त मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि पंजाब नेशनल बैंक की बिसौली शाखा से खातेदारों के लाखों रुपयों को रहस्यात्मक ढंग से निकाला गया है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो ऐसे खातेदारों की संख्या कितनी है और प्रत्येक खाते में से कितनी रकम निकाली गई है और क्या बैंक अधिकारियों द्वारा खातेदारों के खातों में वे रकमें वापस जमा कर दी गई हैं; और

(ग) इस मामले में कितने बैंक कर्मचारी अन्तर्ग्रस्त हैं और उनके विरुद्ध क्या कार्रवाई की जा रही है?

वित्त मंत्रालय में आर्थिक कार्य विभाग में राज्य मंत्री (श्री एडुवर्डो फेलेरियो): (क) और (ख) पंजाब नेशनल बैंक ने सूचित किया है कि उसके बचत बैंक खाता धारकों में से एक से प्राप्त शिकायत के फलस्वरूप यह पता चला है कि बैंक की बिसौली शाखा के दफ्तरी ने शिकायतकर्ता के खाते से लगभग 70,000/- रुपये की कुल राशि का अनधिकृत आहरण किया था। बैंक ने आगे चलकर बताया है कि दफ्तरी पर 15 अन्य खाताधारकों द्वारा उसे गलती से दी गई रकमों में से 60,815.50 रुपये का गबन करने का भी आरोप है।

बैंक ने बताया है कि संबंधित व्यक्तियों के खातों मे कथित गबन की रकमों को वापस जमा कराये जाने के प्रश्न पर बैंक द्वारा प्रत्येक मामले के गुण-दोषों के आधार पर ही कार्रवाई की जायेगी।

(ग) बैंक ने आगे बताया है कि केवल एक दफ्तरी ही इस कार्य में शामिल था और उसे तभी से बैंक की नौकरी से बर्खास्त किया जा चुका है।

Indefinite fast by the All India Reserve Bank Ex-Servicemen Employees Welfare Association

3608. SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the representatives of All India Reserve Bank Ex-Servicemen Employees Welfare Association have undertaken an indefinite fast from 7th March, 1989 at Boat Club, New Delhi demanding the implementation of the important recommendations of the High Level Committee constituted by the Government in 1984; and

(b) if so, what are their main demands and what steps Government have taken to meet their demands?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) Yes, Sir. It is, however, reported that the Association has already given up the fast.

(b) it is reported that the main demands of the association include, *inter alia*, proper implementation of Government instructions by Reserve Bank of India in regard to reservations for ex-servicemen and implementation of the recommendations contained in the report of the High Level Committee on Ex-servicemen. It is further reported that representatives of the ex-servicemen have since held discussions with the Liaison Officer for ex-servicemen in the Reserve Bank of India on their demands.

Demotion of an official of Tihar Jail

3609. SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA JAYAWANTRAO PATIL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that an honest official named Mr. S.C. Saini has been demoted from the post of Assistant Superintendent in Tihar Jail for not taking bribes;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the directions from Central Administrative Tribunal and the Supreme Court in this regard have not been honoured; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof and what action is being taken by Government against the guilty officials of Tihar Jail for harassing an honest officer and demoting him for his honesty?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SANTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) No, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.